

## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Math at a Glance

### Supplies and Organization

- Any writing utensil will do. Yes, this includes pen.
- You need a 3 ring binder for guided notes (**will be checked** occasionally and unannounced for a grade).
- This paper should be in the front of your binder at all times.**
- You will be given a file folder in the classroom to keep any finished work you may complete in class but do not want to lose since I do not take completed homework prior to the day it is due.

### Quizzes

- Quizzes only**, no unit tests.
- Quizzes count as approximately 50% of the overall average.
- There are occasional take home quizzes but they do not count as much as an in-class traditional quiz.
- Pre-quizzes** are taken the class period before the actual in-class quiz. They are identical to the actual in-class quiz but I change the numbers or word problems. **They do not count as a grade.** You will take the pre-quiz and self-check with a provided answer key. You will then know what you need to study or get help with prior to the in-class quiz. You keep your pre-quiz after making your corrections using the answer key to study from. There are no "surprises". No pop quizzes. You can always take an extra pre-quiz to help you study.
- There is a midterm about  $\frac{1}{2}$  way through the year. It will count as two quiz grades.

### Participation (Including Homework)

- Participation is approximately 25% of the overall average.
- You cannot participate in class if you do not come to class with your homework finished. ***Homework is not accepted late*** if we have gone over the answers in class (which is most of the time).
- Your math work is almost always started in class and if you use your time wisely, many times you can complete all of it and not have any homework.
- Partial credit is not given** (for example: completing only  $\frac{1}{2}$  the homework will not get you 50% on that assignment).
- Homework is not graded for accuracy, only for completion. You are expected to ask any questions regarding any work that you do not understand or have incorrect before the concept is graded on the quizzes, review packets or other graded work.
- Homework should be finished the night it is assigned so you have an opportunity to seek help before it is due.**
- Work must be shown to receive credit.
- Binder checks, following direction checks, and supply checks are randomly given and part of the participation grade.

### Review Packets

- Review packets are given typically every Friday. They cover any current and/or past math concepts.
- They are typically 3 pages long.
- They are **due no later than the following Friday even if you do not have math class on Friday. No exceptions to the due date** since they are graded by me over the weekend and given back to you after the weekend for corrections.
- You are **strongly encouraged to finish the review packet prior to the due date and bring it to me before it is due.** I will look it over for you (not giving it a grade yet) and will circle or write comments regarding anything you may have gotten wrong. I will then give it back to you to correct before you turn it in as many times as you want prior to the due date. Everyone should have a 100% every time! Review packets are the only assignment I will take early.
- I will not check over the review packets on the day that they are due.**
- Once the review packet is turned in for by Friday, I will grade it over the weekend and give it back to you the next week. **You will then have to make corrections which will be for a second grade.** I will look over the corrections for you as many times as you would like until the due date which will be the following Friday. Both grades count equally and will be posted on SchoolTool.
- One review packet lasts 2 weeks. The first week is for the initial grade and the second week is for the corrections.
- If you do not turn in the review packet for the first week then you will receive a zero. You will still need to complete the review packet for the second week or it will become 2 zeroes on SchoolTool.
- If you get a 100% the first week automatically then you automatically get a 100% for the second week of corrections.